



Director of Educational Initiatives

Position type: Full-time position

Location: Atlanta

Position Summary:

The Director of Educational Initiatives will report directly to the Vice President of Educational Initiatives and assist in carrying out the goals of the Network Development and Engagement team in alignment with Purpose Built Communities mission, vision, and organizational priorities. The Director will provide critical support as we develop, socialize and implement our education framework across the Purpose Built Communities Network. This position will provide direct support to Network Members to build their capacity and capabilities to select, create and sustain long-term, strong partnerships that ultimately support providers to build and implement a high-quality, cradle to college education pipeline for residents in the revitalization community. In addition to these services, the Director will manage grant-based, innovation pilot projects at select sites for potential future implementation across the Network.

The Director position is a critical relationship manager between Purpose Built Communities and the Network Member education staff and partner organizations around the country. The integration of the critical model elements (Mixed Income Housing, Education, Community Wellness and Economic Vitality) are essential to the model's success. As a result, the Director will collaborate with staff and partners to support Network Member implementation efforts.

Purpose Built Communities is a small but growing organization and works as a highly collaborative team. All Purpose Built Communities team members must be innovative, outcome-oriented and comfortable with the uncertainty associated with entrepreneurial environments. The Director must be able to balance multiple projects and priorities and thrive in a culture that is focused on impact and results. The position requires experience and proven success in the areas of strategy development, building effective strategic relationships and partnerships, excellent oral and written communication skills, strong and clear analytical thinking, and creative problem solving. Further, the position requires excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to build trust and sustain relationships with diverse individuals and groups.

Experience and Qualifications:

- Minimum of five years of experience in education administration leadership, K-12 experience as a school/district level leader preferred.
- Experience engaging with leaders, parents and community members in urban schools/systems with diverse student populations.
- Openness to innovation and multiple paths for building and sustaining high-quality urban schools.
- Aptitude for producing high-quality, practitioner-focused, user-friendly tools in print and web-based formats.



- Knowledge of program evaluation, education metrics and an ability to make data-driven decisions.
- Strong problem-solving skills and ability to be resourceful, proactively seeking out solutions and process improvements.

Skills and Competencies:

- Ability to view social problems as complex, interrelated systems and recognize patterns that might seem chaotic and leverage them to create an actionable and realistic path forward.
- Excels at strategy development, strategic thinking and is open to new perspectives and better ways to do things.
- Demonstrates the temperament and ability to work and partner effectively with people of different philosophies, political views, backgrounds, and cultures.
- Demonstrates creativity and curiosity and has a track record of innovation leading to improved outcomes.
- Has superior decision-making skills.
- Ability to build trusting relationships with colleagues and Network Members.

How to apply:

Please send cover letter and resume to hiring manager careers@purposebuiltcommunities.org

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